# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1644
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Doubling of Lines
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned 16,500 km of doubling of rail lines in the last two and a half years; and

(b) if so, the lines which will be given priority that are passing through the State of Andhra Pradesh?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Doubling/3rd/4th line projects are sanctioned on yearly basis. During the last two years and the current year i.e. 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18, total 131 projects (12,080 Km) of doubling have been included in Budget subject to obtaining requisite approvals. In the last two years and the current year, requisite approvals have been obtained for 80 projects (8230 Km) of doubling/3rd/4th line.

(b): Railway projects are not sanctioned State-wise. However, 9 projects falling partly or fully in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been included in this Budget subject to obtaining requisite approvals. Out of 9 projects, till date for 7 projects (1345 Km) requisite approvals have been obtained. To facilitate capacity enhancement, Indian Railways are taking up doubling / multiple line projects presently on priority.
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